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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced Patent Application, please amend the same as follows:

AMENDMENT OF THE TITLE TO INVENTION

Please amend the Title To Invention to read as follows:

-- AUTOMATIC VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION (AVIC) SYSTEM EMPLOYING A TUNNEL-ARRANGEMENT OF PLIIM-BASED SUBSYSTEMS-

AMENDMENT OF THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the first paragraph of Page 1, entitled "Cross-Reference to Related U.S. Application" as follows:

This is a Continuation of copending Application No. 09/990,585 filed November 21, 2001 which is a Continuation-in-Part of: copending Application Serial No. 09/999,687 [09/---,--- [not yet assigned]] filed October 31, 2001 [[Attorney Docket 108-146USA000]]; copending Application Serial No. 09/954,477 filed September 17, 2001; copending Application Serial No. 09/883,130 filed June 15, 2001, which is a Continuation-in-Part of Application Serial No. 09/781,665 filed February 12, 2001; copending Application Serial No. 09/780,027 filed February